

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In application of

Allan T. Steinbock, et al.

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Response

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated September 5, 2007, please amend the claims as follows: